LAST WEEK I WAS CONFESSED TO WHILE OUT DRINKING
AH... I CAN'T SEEM TO REACH MY CLIENT
OH, ARE YOU GOING TO STAY LATE?
THAT CAN WAIT UNTIL MONDAY, CAN'T IT?
SHE'S SOMEONE I USED TO HAVE CLASSES WITH IN COLLEGE
YOU SURE WORK HARD.
WE HADN'T MET SINCE GRADUATING BUT I HEAR THAT SHE CLIMBED THE CORPORATE LADDER.

SHE WAS ALWAYS SERIOUS, AND A BIT DISTANT.
BUT I SECRETLY ADMIRED HER. SO THIS IS LIKE A WISH COME TRUE.
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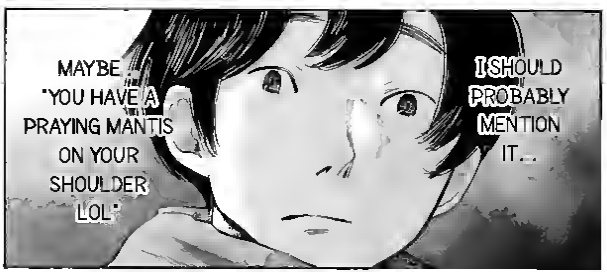
THAT'S A LOT TO BUY AT ONCE
IS THERE A TYPHOON COMING?
OH, THERE YOU ARE.
I JUST THOUGHT I'D SWING BY.
YOU REALLY DO SHOP HERE AT THE EXACT SAME TIME EVERY FRIDAY.
...IT'S STILL ONLY MARCH.
YOU SHOULD'VE TOLD ME YOU WERE COMING...
WANT ME TO CARRY HALF?
HMM... I REALLY WANTED TO HOLD HER HAND...
HM...
NO, I'LL BE OKAY

AH... CAN YOU FORGET WHAT HAPPENED AT THAT GET TOGETHER?
I JUST GOT CARRIED AWAY BY THE MOOD OF THE PARTY WHEN I ASKED YOU OUT...
SHOULD I START CALLING YOU BY YOUR FIRST NAME NOW?
UM, SO...
HM?
HEY,
PLEASE STOP SHYING AWAY LIKE THAT.
YOU SHOULD BE MORE HONEST.
I BROUGHT HOME SOME WORK, AND MY ROOM'S A COMPLETE MESS...
...SORRY, TODAY'S JUST A BAD DAY TO COME OVER.
HUH? MAYBE I MISUNDERSTOOD WHAT SHE MEANT.
UHM...
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO INVITED ME OVER TO YOUR PLACE, RIGHT?

I CAN DO IT MYSELF.
THAT'S HOW IT'S ALWAYS BEEN.
HMM..
MAYBE I CAN HELP YOU CLEAN UP?
I CAN'T ASK YOU TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING YOURSELF.
YOU SEEM A BIT OVER-WORKED TOO.
SOMETIMES IT'S NICE TO BE RELIED ON, YOU KNOW?
...AH!!
THERE'S A TINY PRAYING MANTIS ON HER SHOULDER!!

HEY


MAYBE "YOU HAVE A PRAYING MANTIS ON YOUR SHOULDER LOL."
I SHOULD PROBABLY MENTION IT...

BUT SHE LOOKS SO SERIOUS RIGHT NOW...
IF I OPEN MY MOUTH, SHE MIGHT GET MAD...

HMMM... DID I SAY ANYTHING WEIRD?
WHAT'S UP? SHE LOOKS LIKE SHE HAS SOMETHING ON HER MIND...
CRAP DID IT GO DOWN HER NECK?!
... HUH? WHERE DID THE MANTIS GO?!
ALRIGHT, CALM DOWN. I JUST NEED TO THINK OF A WAY TO BRUSH IT OFF WITHOUT EMBARRASSING ANYONE...
WHAT?

...UH...
HUH????

NEVERMIND!
I'M GOING HOME!!
I THINK I'LL DROP BY THE 100 YEN SHOP FIRST!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "NEVERMIND"?!
YOU NEED TO TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR HEAD!!
I'M NOT A MIND READER!!
SORRY, I'M JUST NOT USED TO THAT KIND OF THING...
YOU SHOULDN'T KEEP EVERYTHING BOTTLED UP
I'LL LEND YOU AN EAR, IF YOU WANT
OH GOOD LOOKS LIKE THE PRAYING MANTIS IS GONE...

...OKAY I'LL GO STRAIGHT HOME AFTER I WALK YOU TO YOURS.
DEAL?
NOW PLEASE HAND OVER ONE OF THOSE BAGS
SORRY. UM... IT'S REALLY FINE.
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M UNHAPPY ABOUT HOW KIND YOU'RE BEING...
THANKS FOR THAT, REALLY...
SHE'S SUCH AN EARNEST PERSON...
AND THAT KINDA MAKES ME FEEL A BIT LONELY...
IT'S JUST YOU'RE PROBABLY NICE LIKE THIS TO EVERYONE...
I'M REALLY SORRY!!
BUT SOMETIMES I DON'T GET WHAT SHE WANTS TO SAY...

I'M NOT TRYING TO BE NICE...
I JUST WANTED TO HOLD YOUR HAND...
...OH
SHE'S BLUSHING ...
BUT I GOT TO SEE SOMETHING AMAZING FROM IT...
I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON...

SEEZ, SHUT IT ALREADY
YOU'RE REALLY STRONG, AREN'T YOU...
THIS IS SO HE..VY...
BUT
MAYBE I DID BUY A BIT TOO MUCH TODAY
WHY DON'T YOU COME OVER AND HAVE A DRINK?